REMARKS

This response is being filed in response to a non-final Office Action dated December 20, 2005.

Claims 6-28 are pending. Claims 6, 9-11, 14-18, 21-22, 24-25, and 27-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Krauska et al. (Patent No. 6,363,556, "Krauska"). Claims 19 and 22-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Krauska. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

With regard to the rejection of claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), claim 6 recites, in part:

> "a member including at least one mobility assembly, the at least one mobility assembly including at least one revolving element configured to provide mobility for a desktop electronic device to translate from a first position to a second position on a desktop ... said at least one resistance element being selectably contacted with the desktop for resisting movement of said member." (emphasis added)

In contrast, Krauska is directed to an articulating bed. The bed includes a linkage that includes a lever member 5 that is displaceable between a first position and a second position that causes a brake assembly 110 to contact a floor surface 103 to prevent the bed from moving (col. 12, line 66 - col. 13, line 8). The bed includes a mattress, frame, and other common components of a bed for allowing a person to rest on the mattress. Because of the size and configuration of the bed, it is to be positioned on a floor and is incapable of being utilized on a desktop. Krauska does not teach or suggest that the bed may be positioned on a desktop or that a resistance element may be contacted with a desktop, as recited in independent claim 6.

More specifically, Krauska does not include "at least one revolving element configured to provide mobility for a desktop electronic device to translate from a first position to a second position on a desktop ... said at least one resistance element being selectably contacted with the desktop for resisting movement of said member." Applicants have been unable to locate within Krauska any disclosure of the bed providing mobility for a desktop electronic device to translate from a first position to a second position on a desktop or that at least one resistance element is selectably contacted with a desktop for resisting movement of the member.

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be withdrawn. Because claims 9 and 10 depend from claim 6, these claims should be allowed for at least the same reasons.

With regard to the rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), claim 11 recites, in part:

> "at least one engaging/disengaging element coupled to said member and (i) while in a first state, to provide mobility for the desktop electronic device and (ii) while in a second state, (a) to cause the at least one revolving element to not be in contact with the desktop or (b) to allow the at least one revolving element to be in contact with the desktop but not support weight of the desktop electronic device." (emphasis added)

For the reasons stated above with respect to claim 6, Krauska fails to teach "at least one engaging/disengaging element … to provide mobility for the desktop electronic device … to cause the at least one revolving element to not be in contact with the desktop … ." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be withdrawn. Because claim 14 depends from independent claim 11, this claim should be allowable for at least the same reasons.

With regard to the rejection of claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), claim 15 recites, in part:

> "a platform having a top surface adapted to support a desktop electronic device; and at least one mobility assembly coupled to the platform … and at least one mobility assembly coupled to the platform … to support said platform on the desktop and to translate the platform from a first position to a second position on the desktop." (emphasis added)

Krauska is directed to an articulating bed for supporting components of a bed, such as a mattress, and does not disclose "a platform having a top surface adapted to support a desktop electronic device." Further, Krauska does not disclose "at least one mobility assembly coupled to the platform … to support said platform on the desktop and to translate the platform from a first position to a second position on the desktop." Because Krauska does not include these elements, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be withdrawn. Because claims 16-18, 21-22, 24-25, and 27-28 depend from independent claim 15, these claims should be allowable for at least the same reasons.

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With regard to the rejection of claims 19 and 22-23 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), these claims depend from independent claim 15, so the remarks presented above apply. Therefore, because independent claim 15 is not rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), these claims should be allowed for at least the same reasons as presented above.
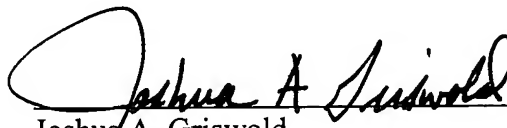
CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is believed that the application is in order for allowance. Should the Examiner have any further questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to call the Applicants' representative at the phone number provided below.

Applicants believe no fees are due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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